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The Honorable
California State Assembly
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Support for Assembly Bill 2494

Dear Assembly:

We are writing this letter in support of Assembly Bill 2494. Our Assemblyman Chris Rogers has introduced this piece of legislation which seeks to enhance protections for Jackson State Forest in Mendocino County. This bill will ensure the preservation of one of California's most treasured public forests, safeguarding old-growth ecosystems, wildlife habitats, and recreational opportunities for future generations.

Jackson State Forest is not only an ecological gem, but also a critical natural resource that supports biodiversity, carbon sequestration, and local communities. AB 2494 reflects a responsible and forward-thinking approach by aligning forest management with environmental stewardship and public interest.

We are urging the Legislature to pass AB 2494 so that Jackson State Forest is managed in a way that reflects its diverse ecological and cultural value as one of our County's greatest natural resources.

We are depending on your leadership and commitment to environmental issues to help protect California's natural heritage.

Sincerely,

Jason Godeke, Mayor

Vice Mayor Marcia Rafanan, Council members Lindy Peters, Tess Albin-Smith, and Scott Hockett